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SUBJECT: SEIZURE OF U.S. FISHING VESSEL VILCO

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1. FISHATT DELIVERED MEMORANDUM TO AMB JOAQUIN MERCADO AT FOREIGN SECRETARIAT MARCH 28 OUTLINING CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS CONCERNING FV/VILCO AS WE KNOW THEM AND ASKING ASSISTANCE OF THE SECRETARIAT IN RESOLVING SITUATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. AMB MERCADO SAID THAT THE MATTER WOULD BE TAKEN UP IMMEDIATELY WITH UNDERSECRETARY GALLASEGUI.

2. CONGRESSMAN BAFALIS OF FLORIDA CALLED EMBASSY MARCH 28 SEEKING INFO ON SITUATION. FISHATT RETURNED HIS CALL SHORTLY AFTER AND GAVE HIM ALL THE INFO WE HAVE AND TOLD HIM WE WERE DISCUSSING CASE WITH NAVY, FISHERIES, AND FOREIGN SECRETARIAT. BAFALIS EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR BRIEFING BUT EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT NO U.S. OFFICER HAD GONE TO ISLA MUJERES. SAID HE WAS CONTACTING WHITE HOUSE AND MIGHT GO TO ISLA MUJERES.

3. CONSUL MARYETTA ACKENBOM WILL ARRIVE ISLA MUJERES AFTERNOON OF MARCH 29.

4. FOUR BOATS WHICH ACCOMPANIED VILCO INTO PORT LEFT AT 3:00PM MARCH 28 AFTER PAYING 40 DOLLARS EACH TO PORT

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CAPTAIN AND 48 DOLLARS EACH TO IMMIGRATION.

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